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REF: STATE 57902

1. IT IS ILLEGAL IN LIBYA TO POSSESS MARIHUANA. THE LAW
PROVIDES FOR A SENTENCE OF LIFE IMPRISONMENT AND A FINE OF
APPROX. DOLS 10,200 TO DOLS 34,000.

2. SPECIFIC PENALTIES FOR ANYONE WHO HOLDS, PURCHASES,
PRODUCES, SEPARATES OR MAKES NARCOTICS OR CULTIVATES THE
MARIHUANA PLANT FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSUMPTION OR PERSONAL
USE ARE IMPRISONMENT AND A FINE OF DOLS 10,200 TO DOLS
17,000.

3. THERE HAVE BEEN FEW CASES KNOWN TO THE EMBASSY PRIOR
TO THE LAST 5-6 MONTHS BUT AN INCREASING NUMBER OF DRUG
CASES HAVE BEGUN TO APPEAR. RECENT ARREST CASES ARE STILL
PENDING TRIAL AND THE ACCUSED HAVE BEEN FREED ON BAIL.
FROM MOST INDICATIONS IT APPEARS THAT PERSONS WHO WERE
ARRESTED FOR POSSESSION FOR PERSONAL USE WILL BE FINED
AND RELEASED FROM FURTHER PROSECUTION.

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